

# GOURSAT FUNCTIONS OF THE THERMO-ELASTIC PROBLEM OF AN INFINITE PLATE WITH HYPITROCHOIDAL HOLE

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## ABSTRACT

Complex variable methods are used to solve the thermo-elastic problem of the infinite isotropic homogeneous plate with a hypitrochoidal hole with multi round corners conformally mapped on the domain outside a unit circle by means of a rational mapping function. The thermo-elastic problem is equivalent to finding two analytic functions (Goursat functions) at any point  $z = x + iy$  within the region of the plate. The problem is transformed to solve an integrodifferential equation, in the complex plane, with singular kernel. Closed expressions for the Goursat function and consequently the tangential thermo-elastic stresses on the boundary of the hole are obtained in quadrature in the presence of a uniform heat stream.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

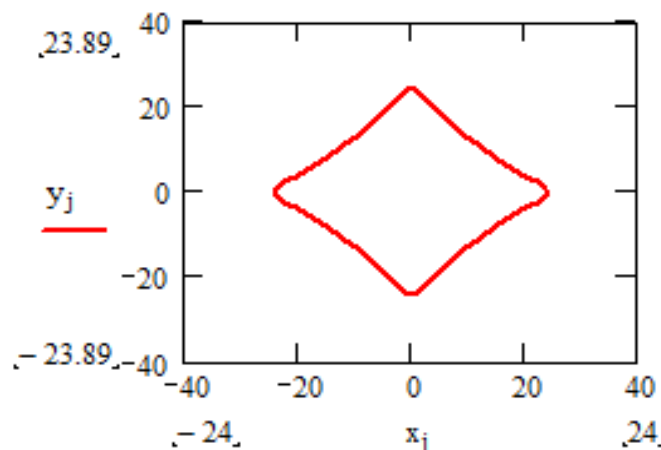
The thermo-elastic plane problem has been investigated by many author's [1-5]. Exadaktylos and Stavropoulou [6] and Exadaktylos et al. [7] considered simple rational mapping functions with complex parameters that conformally map the holes inside a unit circle and using Laurant's method for finding Goursat functions.

Savin [8] apply the series method of solution to obtain the solution of thermo-elastic problem for infinite plate bounded internally by the elliptic, triangle and square hole by using the simple transformations respectively.

$$z = c(\zeta + m\zeta^{-1}), \quad z = c(\zeta + m\zeta^{-2}), \quad z = c(\zeta + m\zeta^{-3})$$

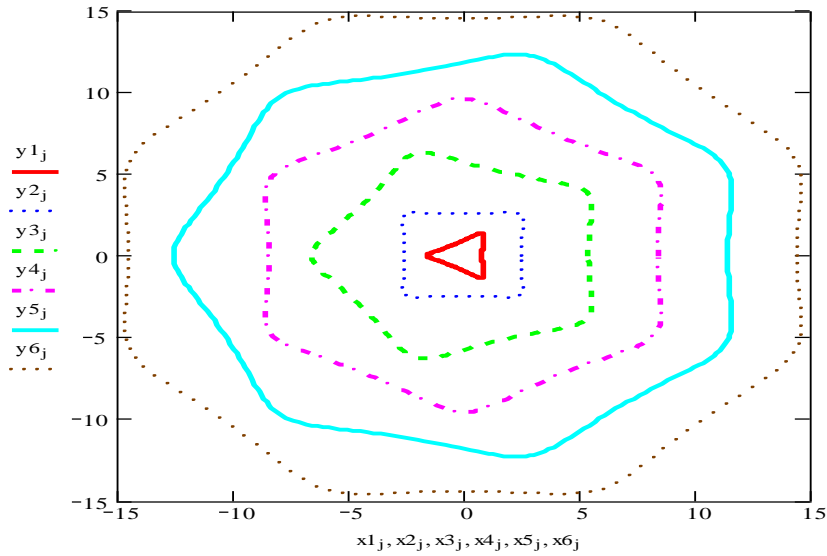
In this manuscript, complex variable methods and the mapping functions

$$z = c(\zeta + m\zeta^{-p}), \quad p \geq 1 \tag{1.1}$$



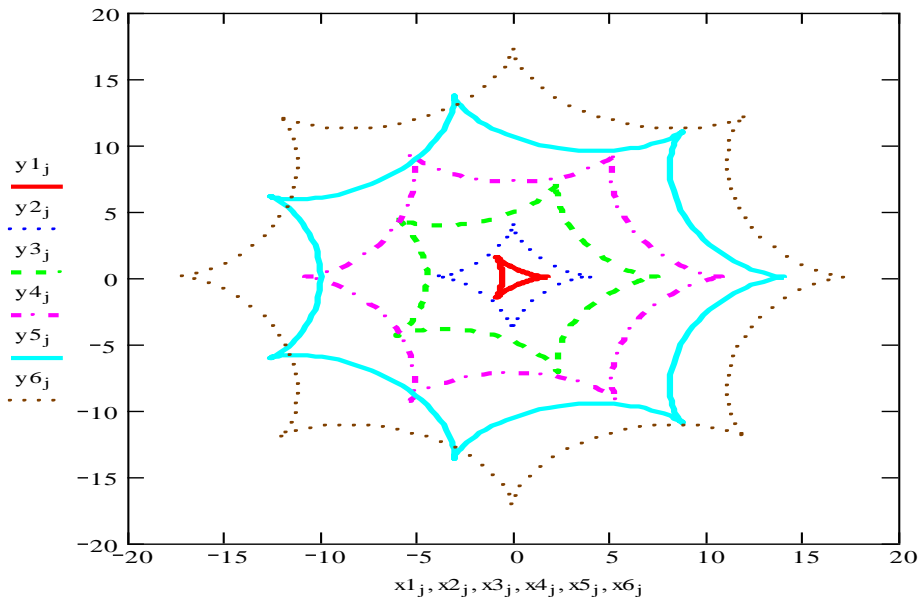
$$p=3, m=.2$$

``Figure 1'' Square hole.



$$p=2,3,\dots,7 \quad m=-2/[p(p+1)]$$

“Figure 2” Hypitrochoidal holes with multi round corners

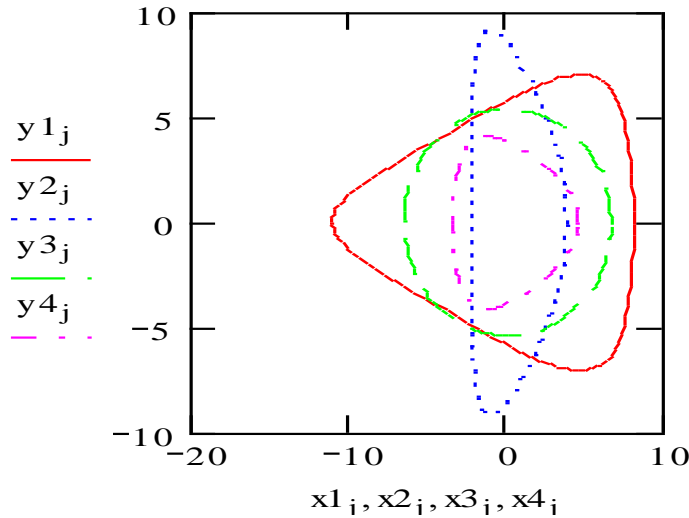


$$p=2,3,\dots,7 \quad m=1/p$$

“Figure 3” Holes with star-shaped hypocycloid with p+1 cusps.

$$z = c(\zeta + m\zeta^{-1} + n\zeta^{-2}), \tag{1.2}$$

$c > 0, z'(\zeta) \neq 0$  or  $\infty$  outside the unit circle  $\gamma(|\zeta|=1)$ , are used to obtain the solution of thermo-elastic problem in the domain of the plate outside hypitrochoidal hole with multi round corners or curvilinear hole . The problem is transformed to solve an integro-differential equation, in complex plane, with singular kernel. The elliptic, triangle, square holes ( $p=1,2,3$ ) are included as special cases.



$$m1=.2 \quad n1=-.2 \quad m2=-.5 \quad n2=.12 \quad m3=.1 \quad n3=0 \quad m4=0 \quad n4=.12$$

“Figure 4” Curvilinear holes of the second mapping function.

For  $m = -\frac{2}{p(p+1)}$  ( $p \geq 2$ ) we have good approximations to the infinite plate with a cut-out in the form of a regular rectilinear polygon of  $p+1$  sides while for  $m = \frac{1}{p}$  the hole is a star-shaped hypocycloid with  $p+1$  cusps.

Various figures are sketched to show the shapes of the hole of the plate (see “Figure1”-“Figure 4”) . Also graphs of the distribution of tangential stresses on the boundary of the hole are plotted (see “Figure5”-“Figure 7”).

## 2. METHOD OF SOLUTION

The first fundamental problem in the plane theory of thermo-elasticity is equivalent to finding two analytic functions  $\varphi_0(z)$  and  $\psi_0(z)$ , satisfying the boundary condition

$$\varphi_0(t)+t \overline{\varphi_0'(t)} + \overline{\psi_0(t)} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_T E \int \Theta dz |_{z=t} + f(t), \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\alpha_T$  is the coefficient of temperature expansion ,E is Young’s modules , $\Theta$  is the temperature function and  $f(t)$  is a given function of elastic stresses. The components of the stresses are given by

$$\sigma_x + \sigma_y = 4\text{Re}\{\varphi_0'(z)\} - \alpha_T E \Theta, \tag{2.2a}$$

$$\sigma_y - \sigma_x + 2i\tau_{xy} = 2[\bar{z} \varphi_0''(z) + \psi_0'(z)] - \alpha_T E \int \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial z} d\bar{z} \tag{2.2b}$$

The temperature function  $\Theta$  may be take the form [8]

$$\Theta(\zeta, \bar{\zeta}) = 2\text{Re}\{\Theta_0(\zeta)\}, \tag{2.3}$$

where  $\Theta_0(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2} q c [e^{i\alpha} \zeta^{-1} + e^{-i\alpha} \zeta], \tag{2.4}$

and  $q$  is a uniform heat stream making an angle  $\alpha$  with the horizon, we note that in the  $\zeta$ -plane

$$\nabla^2 \Theta = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial \rho} = 0 \text{ at } \rho = 1$$

### 2.1. First Mapping Function

The complex potential  $\phi_0(z)$  and  $\psi_0(z)$  can be written as

$$\phi_0(z) = \frac{1}{2} a\zeta^2 + \phi(\zeta) , \quad \psi_0(z) = -a_* \ln \zeta + \psi(\zeta) \tag{2.5}$$

where  $\phi(\zeta)$  and  $\psi(\zeta)$  are single valued analytic functions within the region outside  $|\zeta|=1$ , and the constants  $a$  ,  $a_*$  will be determined. Using the mapping function (1.1), the boundary condition (2.1) for the thermo-elastic problem takes the form

$$\phi(\sigma) + \frac{\omega(\sigma)}{\overline{\omega'(\sigma)}} \overline{\phi'(\sigma)} + \overline{\psi(\sigma)} = F(\sigma) + H(\sigma) \text{ on } \gamma \tag{2.6}$$

Where  $F(\sigma) = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_T E \int \Theta dz |_{\zeta=\sigma}$  , (2.7a)

$$H(\sigma) = -\left[ \frac{1}{2} a\sigma^2 + \frac{\bar{a}\omega(\sigma)}{\sigma\omega'(\sigma)} + \bar{a}_* \ln \sigma \right] \tag{2.7b}$$

and  $\sigma = e^{i\theta}$  is a point on  $\gamma$ .

Now the function  $F(\sigma)+H(\sigma)$  can be take the form

$$F(\sigma) + H(\sigma) = \frac{1}{4} q\alpha_T c^2 E \left[ e^{i\alpha} \left\{ 1 + \frac{mp}{p+1} \sigma^{-p-1} \right\} + e^{-i\alpha} \left\{ \sigma^2 + m \left( 1 + \frac{p}{p-1} \delta(p) \right) \sigma^{-p+1} \right\} \right] - \overline{a\sigma\beta(\sigma)} \tag{2.8}$$

Where  $\delta(p) = \begin{cases} 1, & p \geq 2 \\ 0, & p = 1 \end{cases}$

The system of stresses (2.2) can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_\theta + \sigma_\rho &= 4Re\{\Phi_1(\zeta)\}, \\ \sigma_\theta - \sigma_\rho + 2i\tau_{\rho\theta} &= \frac{2\zeta^2}{\rho^2\overline{\omega'(\zeta)}} [\overline{\omega(\zeta)} \Phi_1'(\zeta) + \omega'(\zeta)\Psi(\zeta)] \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

Where  $\Phi_1(\zeta) = \Phi(\zeta) - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_T E \Theta_0(\zeta)$ ,

$$\Phi(\zeta) = \phi_0'(z) = \frac{\phi(\zeta)+a\zeta}{z'(\zeta)} , \quad \Psi(\zeta) = \psi_0'(z) = \frac{-a_* \zeta^{-1} + \psi'(\zeta)}{z'(\zeta)} . \tag{2.10}$$

Now the constants  $a$  ,  $a_*$  can be chosen such that the stresses must be vanish at infinity and the function  $F(\sigma) + H(\sigma)$  must be a single valued function,

i.e. ,  $a = \frac{1}{4} qE\alpha_T c^2 e^{-i\alpha}$  ,  $a_* = \frac{1}{4} q\alpha_T c^2 E [e^{-i\alpha} + e^{i\alpha} m(\delta(p) - 1)]$  (2.11)

The first fundamental problem (2.1) can also take the form [7]

$$\Phi_1(\sigma) + \overline{\Phi_1(\sigma)} - \frac{\sigma^2}{\overline{\omega'(\sigma)}} [\overline{\omega(\sigma)} \Phi_1'(\sigma) + \omega'(\sigma)\Psi(\sigma)] = N - iT \tag{2.12}$$

where  $N$  and  $T$  are the normal and tangential stresses at the boundary . When the edge of the hole is subject to the effect of the temperature only,  $N = T = 0$ .

The potential function  $\Psi(\zeta)$  can be obtained, from (2.12), in the form

$$\Psi(\zeta) = \frac{\overline{\omega'(\zeta^{-1})}}{\zeta^2\overline{\omega'(\zeta)}} [\Phi_1(\zeta) + \overline{\Phi_1(\zeta^{-1})}] - \frac{\overline{\omega(\zeta^{-1})}}{\overline{\omega'(\zeta)}} \Phi_1'(\zeta). \tag{2.13}$$

Consider the function  $\frac{\omega(\zeta^{-1})}{\overline{\omega'(\zeta)}} = \alpha(\zeta^{-1}) + \beta(\zeta)$  ,

Where  $\alpha(\zeta) = m\zeta^{-p}$  ,  $\beta(\zeta) = \frac{(1+m^2p)\zeta^p}{\zeta^{p+1}-mp}$  (2.14)

It can be seen that the function  $\beta(\zeta)$  is a regular function for  $|\zeta| > 1$ . The boundary condition (2.6) takes the form

$$\phi(\sigma) + \alpha(\sigma)\overline{\phi'(\sigma) + \psi_*(\sigma)} = F(\sigma) + H(\sigma) \quad \text{on } \gamma, \tag{2.15}$$

Where  $\psi_*(\sigma) = \psi(\sigma) + \beta(\sigma)\phi(\sigma)$  ,

Multiplying both sides of (2.15) by  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma-\zeta}$  and integrating with respect to  $\sigma$  on  $\gamma$  , we get

$$-\phi(\zeta) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha(\sigma)\overline{\phi'(\sigma)} d\sigma}{\sigma-\zeta} + G(\zeta), \tag{2.16}$$

Where  $G(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{F(\sigma)+H(\sigma)}{\sigma-\zeta} d\sigma$  .

or  $G(\zeta) = -\frac{1}{4}qc^2mE\alpha_T \left[ \frac{p}{p+1} e^{i\alpha} \zeta^{-(p+1)} + \frac{2p-1}{p-1} e^{-i\alpha} \zeta^{-(p-1)} \right]$  (2.17)

Using (2.14) we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha(\sigma)\overline{\phi'(\zeta)} d\sigma}{\sigma-\zeta} = -m \sum_{\mu=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p,\mu}}{\zeta^{\mu+1}} , \tag{2.18}$$

Where  $\alpha_{p,\mu}$  ,  $\mu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p-1$  are constants to be determined.

Hence  $-\phi(\zeta) = G(\zeta) + m \sum_{\mu=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p,\mu}}{\zeta^{\mu+1}}$  (2.19)

Using (2.17)- (2.19), we obtain after some calculations

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{\overline{G'(\sigma)}}{\sigma^p(\sigma-\zeta)} d\sigma = 0 \tag{2.20}$$

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p,\mu}}{\zeta^{\mu+1}} = m \sum_{\mu=0}^{p-1} \frac{(\mu+1)\overline{\alpha_{p,\mu}}}{\zeta^{p-\mu-2}} \tag{2.21}$$

i.e.,  $\alpha_{p,\mu} = 0$  ,  $\mu = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$ ,

and consequently  $\phi(\zeta) = -G(\zeta)$  (2.22)

Thus from (2.10) we have the Goursat function  $\Phi(\zeta)$  in the form

$$\Phi(\zeta) = \frac{c q E \alpha_T}{4(\zeta^{p+1}-mp)} [-mp e^{i\alpha} \zeta^{-1} + e^{-i\alpha} \zeta \{m(1-2p)\delta(p) + \zeta^{p+1}\}] . \tag{2.23}$$

Now, the other Goursat function  $\Psi(\zeta)$  can be obtained after some calculations by (2.13) in the form

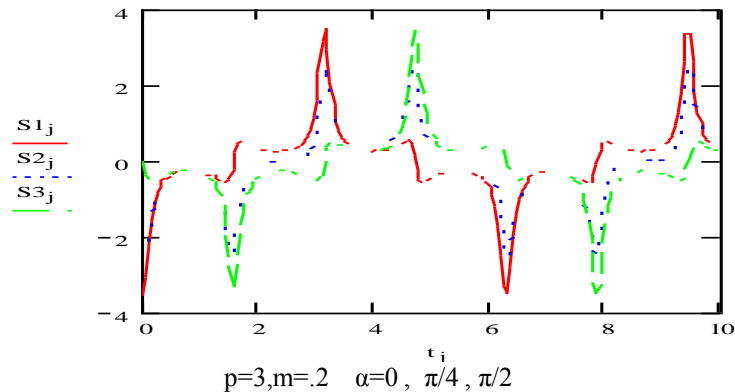
$$\Psi(\zeta) = \frac{c q E \alpha_T \zeta^p}{4(\zeta^{p+1}-mp)^3} \left[ \zeta^{p-1} \{ \zeta^{2p+2} m(1-2p)(\delta(p)-1) - 2\zeta^{p+1} ((1+m^2p^2) + pm^2\varepsilon(p)) + mp(1-p + m^2p\varepsilon(p)) \} e^{i\alpha} + \left\{ m \left( 2p + (1+p)(1+m^2p)(p + (1-2p)\delta(p)) \right) \zeta^{p+1} - \zeta^{2p+2} - m^2p^2 \right\} e^{-i\alpha} \right] . \tag{2.24}$$

Where  $\varepsilon(p) = p + (1-2p)\delta(p)$ .

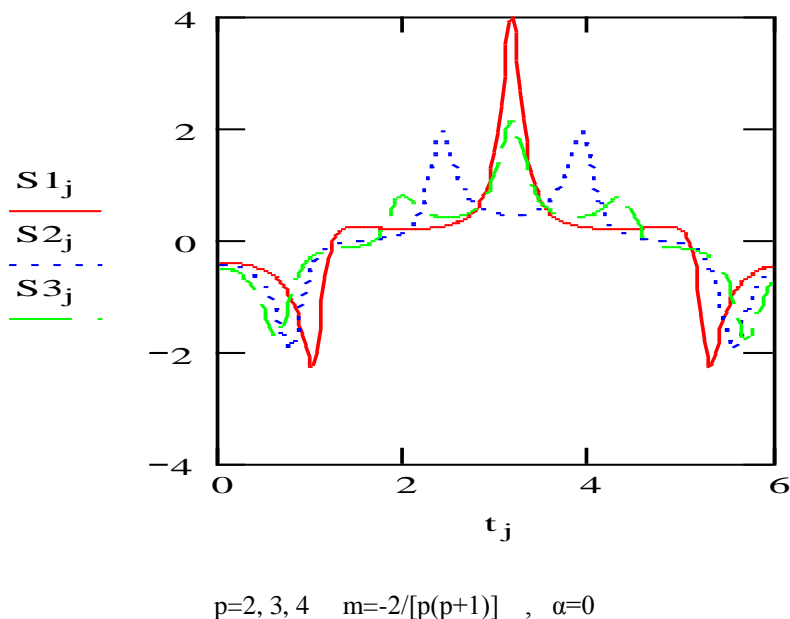
To get the thermo-elastic stresses on the boundary, we have from (2.9) that

$$\sigma_{\rho} = \tau_{\rho\theta} = 0, \sigma_{\theta} = 4Re\{\Phi_1(\sigma)\} \quad \text{at } \rho = 1 ,$$

i.e., 
$$S = \frac{\sigma_\theta|_{\rho=1}}{cqE \alpha_T} = \frac{1}{U(\theta)} [m\{p + \varepsilon(p)\} \cos(p\theta + \alpha) - \{m^2 p \varepsilon(p) + 1\} \cos(\theta - \alpha)] . \tag{2.25}$$



“Figure 5” Distribution of tangential thermo-elastic shear stresses on the square hole



“Figure 6” Distribution of tangential thermo-elastic shear stresses on the hypitrochoidal holes where  $U(\theta) = 1 + m^2 p^2 - 2mp \cos(p + 1) \theta$ .

The formula(2.23)-(2.25) agreeing with the formulae (VII.80)-(VII.82)for  $p=3, m=-\frac{1}{6}$  and formulae (VII.83)-(VII.84)for  $p=2, m=\frac{1}{3}$ , formulae (VII.85)and (VII.87) for  $p=1, p.537$  of Savin [6].

**2.2. Second Mapping Function**

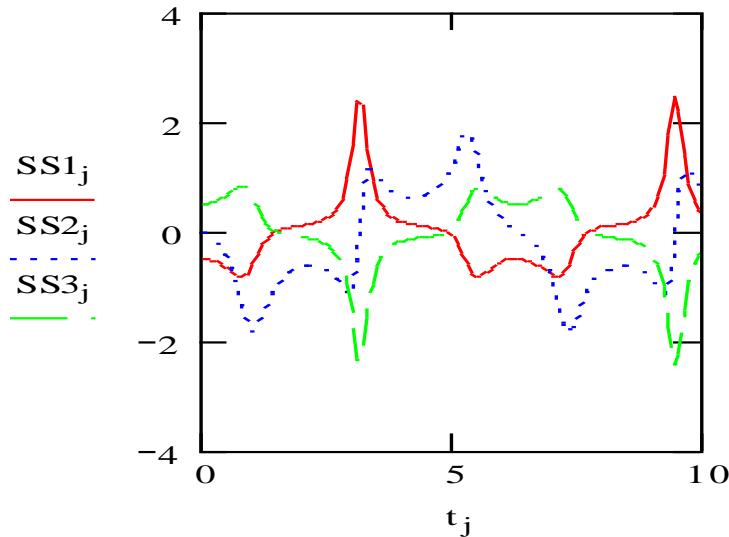
We now insert the results concerned with the case of an infinite plate with a hole of a curvilinear sides by using the mapping function (1.2).Applying the procedure of the previous problem of the mapping function (1.1),the complex potentials and the tangential component of the thermo-elastic stresses on the boundary are given by

$$\Phi(\zeta) = - \frac{cqE \alpha_T}{4V(\zeta)} \Phi_0(\zeta) , \tag{2.26}$$

$$\Psi(\zeta) = \frac{cq\alpha_T\zeta}{4V^3(\zeta)} \left[ \zeta^4 V(\zeta)V(\zeta^{-1})\Phi_0(\zeta) + V^2(\zeta)\{\zeta^4\bar{\Phi}_0(\zeta^{-1}) - P(\zeta)\} + \zeta^2(1 + m\zeta^2 + n\zeta^3)\{V'(\zeta)\Phi_0(\zeta) - V(\zeta)\Phi_0'(\zeta)\} \right] \tag{2.27}$$

and

$$\sigma_\theta|_{\rho=1} = \frac{cq\alpha_T E}{U(\theta)} \{ (2n^2 - m^2 - 1) \cos(\theta - \alpha) + 2m \cos(\theta + \alpha) + mn[\cos \alpha - 2 \cos(2\theta - \alpha)] \} \tag{2.28}$$



$$m=.2 \quad n=-.2; \alpha=0, \pi/4, \pi/2$$

where  $V(\zeta) = \zeta^3 - m\zeta - 2n$ ,   
 ``Figure 7'' Distribution of tangential thermo-elastic shear stresses on the curvilinear holes.

$$\Phi_0(\zeta) = e^{i\alpha}(m + 2n\zeta^{-1}) + e^{-i\alpha}\zeta(3n - \zeta^3),$$

$$P(\zeta) = e^{i\alpha}(3 - m\zeta^2 - 3n\zeta^3) + e^{-i\alpha}[(1 - 3m)\zeta^2 - 5n\zeta^5],$$

and  $U(\theta) = 1 + m^2 + 4n^2 + 4mn \cos \theta - 2m \cos 2\theta - 4n \cos 3\theta.$

Formulae (2.26)-(2.28) for  $m=0$  and  $n=0$  of the second mapping function agreeing with the formulae (2.23)-(2.25) for  $p=2$  and  $p=1$  of the first mapping function and also agreeing with the formulae (VII.85) and (VII.87) p.537 of [8] respectively on noting the difference in notations .

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